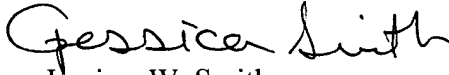


It is believed that the foregoing amendment places the Application in condition for allowance; therefore, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of same. Should the Examiner have any comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the specification:

Paragraph beginning at line 6 of page 3 has been amended as follows:

Applicants claim benefit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119 and hereby incorporates by reference Provisional Patent Application for "MICRO-MOBILITY PROTOCOL BASED ON EXPLICIT MULTICAST", ~~SN~~ **Serial Number** 60/316,849, filed ~~9/29/2001~~ **August 29, 2001**.